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The President today announced his intention to nominate James F. Dobbins, of New York, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Minister-Counselor, as Representative of the United States of America to the European Communities, with the rank and status of Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary. He would succeed Thomas Michael Tolliver Niles.

Currently, Mr. Dobbins serves as Acting Assistant Secretary of State for European and Canadian Affairs at the United States Department of State in Washington, D.C. Prior to this, he served as Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for European and Canadian Affairs, 1989-1991; Minister and Deputy Chief of Mission in the United States Embassy in Bonn, Germany, 1985-1989; Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for European Affairs, 1982-1985; and Director of the Office of Theater Military Policy in the Politico-Military Bureau at the United States Department of State, 1981-1982. Mr. Dobbins served in various capacities at the State Department and in the Foreign Service, 1967-1981.

Mr. Dobbins was graduated from the Georgetown University School of Foreign Service (BSFS, 1963). He was born May 31, 1942 in New York, New York. Mr. Dobbins served in the United States Navy, 1963-1967. He is married, has two children and resides in Washington, D.C.

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